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Defendant in Espionage Trial Is Said to Be a Double Agent

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LONDON, Dec. 1 — The attorney representing a Canadian professor accused of passing classified information to the Soviet Union said today that his client had been a double agent working for Canada and France.

The professor, Hugh Hambleton, who has taught economics at Laval University in Quebec since 1964, has pleaded not guilty to two charges of violating Britain's Official Secrets Act over a period starting in 1956.